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SUBJECT: PROVISIONAL IRA SHOOTS SEVENTEEN OFFICIAL IRA MEMBERS

1. IN EFFECTIVE DEMONSTRATION CONTINUED ABILITY MOUNT COORDINATED ACTIONS, PROVISIONAL IRA TERRORISTS SHOT SEVENTEEN MEN IN SEPARATE ATTACKS BELFAST AREA DURING HALF HOUR PERIOD AROUND 18000 OCT. 29. ONE MAN KILWED OTHERS WOUNDED MOSTLY IN LEGS IN APPARENT KNEE-CAPPING PUNISHMENTS. ALL VICTIMS MEMBERS REPUBLICAN CLUBS (OFFICIAL IRA) AND PROVISIONAL IRA BELFAST BRIGADE HAS CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY.

2. REASONS FOR ATTACK STILL UNCLEAR BUT BELIEVED BE IN PART REVENGE FOR KILLING OF ANDERSONSTOWN MAN SEVERAL WEEKS AGO. REPUBLICAN CLUBS STATEMENT ACCUSED PROVISIONAL LEADERSHIP OF NECESSITY LET MEMBERS BLOW OFF STEAM DURING CEASEFIRE. STATEMENT ALSO CLAIMS OFFICIAL IRA WILL NOT RETALIATE.
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